

Today in Corps history:

**April 30, 1947:** 11th Marines returned home after five years in the Far East.

Source: Marine Corps History  
**FAST FACT**



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# THE BOOT



“We Make Marines”

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### RTR rips Pacesetters for 8-7 victory

RTR outlasted the Pacesetters 8-7, during Marine Corps Community Services - South Carolina Intramural Softball action at the Parris Island Sports Complex April 22.  
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## Depot News

### COMMANDING GENERAL TO HOST DINING OUT

Brigadier Gen. Joseph J. McMenamin will conduct a Dining Out May 8 at the Lyceum, to bid farewell to the officers under his command, as he is scheduled to depart this summer.

All officers are encouraged to contact their respective company or battalion staff to provide required information and arrange for ticket purchase as soon as possible.

Point of contact for more information on the event is Capt. Tim Hough at 228-3126.

### BEAUFORT REPS WARN OF SEVERE WEATHER

Severe weather season is upon us and the Beaufort County Emergency Management Division wants to remind Depot personnel and their families of the potential for severe storms and to brush up on their safety and preparedness plans for the season.

For more information on severe weather preparedness, visit [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov), or [www.noaa.gov](http://www.noaa.gov), or contact the BCEMD at 470-3100.

### ITT OFFERS TRIP TO BILOXI/NEW ORLEANS

Information, Tickets and Tours is hosting a Biloxi/New Orleans trip Aug. 3 - 8.

A special price of \$390 per person is available until May 14.

Price includes roundtrip transportation from Parris Island, two nights lodging at the Imperial Palace Casino in Biloxi, Miss., three nights accommodations at the Sheraton New Orleans, as well as a New Orleans City tour.

For more information, call ITT at 228-1540.

## Out in Town

### HILTON HEAD FIESTA SLATED FOR SATURDAY

The Hilton Head Arts Center, in partnership with the Hispanic Cultural Committee, will hold a “South-of-the-Border” celebration Saturday from noon – 5 p.m. at Shelter Cove, Hilton Head Island.

The event will feature live music by the South American quartet, Los Llaneros, entertainment, children’s activities, indigenous crafts and authentic food.

For more information, call 686-3945.

### TASTE OF BEAUFORT TO ENLIVEN SENSES

The annual Taste of Beaufort Festival will be held today at 7 p.m. and Saturday from noon - 8 p.m. in historical downtown Beaufort.

The festival will feature a free Blues and Jazz concert, food tasting of more than 60 different dishes, a local art auction, as well as activities for the children.

For more information, call 525-6644, or log on to their Web site at [www.beaufortsc.org](http://www.beaufortsc.org).

## Weather



**Friday**  
Partly Cloudy  
Hi 81 Low 63  
**Saturday**  
Scattered  
T-Storms  
Hi 80 Low 62  
**Sunday**  
Scattered  
T-Storms  
Hi 80 Low 58

# Chamber of Commerce to thank local military

**LANCE CPL. BRIAN KESTER**  
STAFF WRITER

Military Appreciation Day will be held at Shady Point Park aboard MCAS Beaufort May 15, from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

This free event, which is open to all active duty and retired personnel, will feature food, refreshments, entertainment, clowns, games and large inflatable rides for the children.

“This is an event that we do

in Beaufort every year,” said Leah Bell, events manager for the Greater Beaufort Chamber of Commerce. “This is the 10th Military Appreciation Day hosted by the Greater Beaufort Chamber of Commerce, and it is a way for the community to show their appreciation for what the military does.”

Not only does the community support what is being done worldwide by the military, but on a local level as well, said Bell. This day targets those

people who do their jobs in Beaufort and it gives attention where it is needed.

“It is worthwhile for the military to get something back, because at times you do feel underappreciated,” said Staff Sgt. William Kelley, drill instructor with Platoon 2049, Fox Co., 2nd RTBn. “It makes your job that much easier and enjoyable. It also makes me feel like they are saying, ‘Hey I appreciate what you are doing for us.’” For some, that attention is



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needed as it provides a day to get out of the same routine and just have some fun. Doing something different is what needs to be done to show us the gratitude we

need, said Kelley.

Bell and the Chamber of Commerce are trying to find new and exciting ways of

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# Testing, traps to reduce Depot’s insect population

## BMC Preventitive Medicine Department teams up to deter insects from ruining residents’ outdoor fun



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Spring is here and with it comes warmer weather, fun in the sun and, on Parris Island, the familiar smell of bug spray.

That is why the Branch Medical Clinic’s Preventative Medicine Department, Depot Natural Resources and Depot Pest Control team up every year to deter the pests from ruining the outdoor fun of Depot personnel and residents.

During April, this team of pest fighters began monitoring the mosquitoes for West Nile Virus and for population counts, which determines where pest control will spray.

They begin by setting traps that lure the mosquitoes in, so they can be tested and counted. Each trap has an attractant to lure them in, such as stagnant water, an enticing breeding ground or a simple light, which attracts bugs of all types. Then a

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**Neil Thornal, facilities pest controller, checks one of six traps placed around the Depot April 23. The New Jersey Light Trap is used to help determine where Depot Pest Control will spray for mosquitoes. (Above right) Thornal holds out a bag of insects collected from a trap. The specimens will be turned over to the Branch Medical Clinic’s Preventative Medicine Department to count the female mosquito population.**

# Advisory warns of ID theft, check scheme

**LEGAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE**  
HEADQUARTERS MARINE CORPS

The head of legal assistance for the Judge Advocate Division, Headquarters, Marine Corps, published an identity theft alert late last month advising service members of a forged check scheme and potential scams aimed at stealing their identity.

During March, families of some service members reported forged checks affecting some deployed service members’ accounts.

Similar reports also indicate occurrences that may affect service members that have deployed from the East Coast.

According to the advisory, service members (or their families or Power of Attorney holders) may notice unauthorized charges to their bank accounts by check, debit card, or ATM, or may notice unauthorized charges to their credit cards. These are red flag signals that identity theft may have occurred.

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Lance Cpl. Darhonda V. Hall

**Rear Adm. Nancy Lescavage shakes hands with former BMC Commanding Officer Navy Capt. Greg Gorsuch during a visit April 22.**

# Top nurse visits BMC

**LANCE CPL. DARHONDA V. HALL**  
STAFF WRITER

Rear Adm. Nancy Lescavage, Director of the Navy Nurse Corps and Commander of the Naval Medical Education and Training Command, visited the Branch Medical Clinic April 22.

Lescavage, a Port Carbon, Pa., native, interacted with BMC personnel and patients during her scheduled site visit.

“I was really excited about her visit,” said Lt. Cmdr. Candace Colston, BMC Permanent Party Department head.

This was not the first time the two senior naval officers met. In fact, the two share a storied history.

“I knew her when she was my commanding officer of the Naval Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas,” Colston said. “When I first got there, I was the division officer of the pediatric clinic and we were very busy. My first time dealing with [Rear Adm. Lescavage] was for our annual fitness marathon. She hung out with us all morning and I thought that was awesome.”

Rear Adm. Lescavage, who received her registered nursing

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